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**Policies**

**When you enter the room:**  Check the screen for assignments or announcements Answer the bell question upon arrival into the room. You will have 3-5 minutes to complete these problems by yourself. Of course, I expect you to be in your assigned seat when the bell rings. Please do not linger outside the door.

Class Discussion / Asking Questions I encourage you to ask questions during class. You need not raise your hand as long as you do not interrupt other members of the class while they are speaking. I will ask a lot of questions during class. Please, please please do not shout out the answers because by doing this you take away the chance for all students to participate. I will either ask for volunteers or will randomly choose people.

Paper Management

For most units, you will be given all of the handouts/ assignments at the start of the unit for you to place in your binder. This will be collected periodically to assess your progress. There will probably be additional handouts as changes are needed. You need to keep all of your papers in order to complete the quarterly portfolio assignments.

Labs I will assign and periodically change groups. Each person must fill out a lab sheet. I will assign a ZERO to you if you do not participate. Part of the lab grade will be based upon equipment & time management. Return all equipment to its proper place.

Homework Practicing the problems solving strategies, completing the projects, and challenging your misconceptions are an integral part of succeeding in this course. Homework points are assigned based upon both effort and accuracy. Therefore it is in your best interest to try all the questions and turn in your best effort. In general**, I will be unable to accept any assignment turned in more that 1 day late**. Points will be deducted from assignments turned in a day late. Your homework MUST be your own work. If I receive papers that are very similar, I will assign a zero for that homework. You can help each other, but your final work should be your own. For your own protection, never hand a paper directly to me – it may end up as scratch paper!

Absences Frequent absences are troublesome in physics due to the hands-on nature of the course. In order to aid you when returning from an absence, a journal will be kept each day of class. This journal will be maintained by a different student each day and will contain bell questions, class notes, a class summary and handouts. It is your responsibility to check this journal at the beginning of class when you return and ask the journal keeper about items that you do not understand. You MUST make up any bell question missed during your absence

Exiting the Classroom Please do not start to gather your materials before class has ended. It is a great distraction to others and downright rude to me. Remember to put away materials before leaving and take all your possessions with you. If you leave materials in this room, they will probably be forever lost. Return all borrowed materials.